Assassination Panel Extended

The House of Representatives has temporarily re-established its Select Committee on Assassinations to look into the murders of President John F. Kennedy and the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

The committee had been impaneled last fall on the urging of a number of assassination students and potential conspiracy theorists and of the House black caucus. It had requested $6.5 million for the first of two years. The amount had become controversial, as had a plan to use hidden microphones and psychological stress evaluators to test witnesses' credibility.

The House voted last week shortly after the Justice Department announced it had concluded that James Earl Ray had acted alone in the killing of Dr. King. The committee has until March 31 to submit a revised budget and an outline of its plans.